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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

Bauer-Plank et al.

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For:

POURABLE FRYING COMPOSITION

Edgewater, New Jersey 07020 May 4, 2001

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application filed concurrently herewith, please amend the following:

## In the Claims:

Please enter the following amended claims:

- 4. (Amended) Pourable frying composition according to claim 1, wherein substantially no added monoglyceride is present.
- 9. (Amended) Pourable frying composition according to claim 1 which comprises after melting an aqueous phase, a fat phase and optionally an intermediate phase, wherein the aqueous phase and the intermediate phase together comprise 60 to 100 wt% of the total amount of the ester of citric acid present in the frying composition.